

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Rault, et al.

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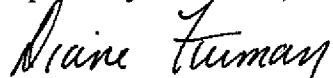
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

The Office Action of September 23, 2009 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on December 23, 2009. A one month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-4395 in the name of Novartis Consumer Health, Inc. in the amount of \$130 for payment of the extension fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 50-4395 in the name of Novartis Consumer Health, Inc.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Dated: January 22, 2010